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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09481.0026-02

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
John H. KENTEN et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1634  
Application No.: 09/480,344 ) Examiner: Carla J. Myers  
Filed: January 10, 2000 )  
For: CYCLING DNA/RNA ) Confirmation No.: 4434  
AMPLIFICATION )  
ELECTROCHEMILUMINESCENT )  
PROBE ASSAY )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the  
Office Action mailed April 15, 2004. A fee of \$980.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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